

**METHOD AND APPARATUS TO REDUCE RF POWER DEPOSITION DURING  
MR DATA ACQUISITION**

**ABSTRACT**

5       A system composed of multiple transmit coils with corresponding RF pulse synthesizers and amplifiers is disclosed. A method of designing RF pulses specific to each transmit coil to dynamically control RF power deposition across an imaging volume is also disclosed, where parallel excitation with the transmit coils allows for management of RF power deposition on a subject while facilitating faithful production of a desired  
10      excitation profile. The present invention also supports reduction in scan time and is applicable to any coil array geometry.